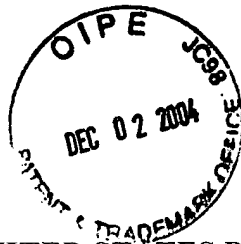


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Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed November 8, 2004, setting forth a one month period for response. Accordingly, this response is due on or before December 8, 2004.

The attached amendment replaces the Preliminary Amendment filed October 15, 2004.

Please amend the subject application as follows.